## **Dermatology** and Therapy



- Molluscum contagiosum is a viral infection of the skin caused by a DNA poxvirus that spreads easily from direct contact
- Molluscum contagiousum remains infectious until the lesions have resolved
- There are many anecdotal remedies, but none have been very effective as a prescription option in controlled clinical trials
- We describe a dilute povidone-iodine / dimethylsulfoxide solution that proved curative in one patient over a six week time period
- This is the first case report of a broad-spectrum antimicrobial demonstrating efficacy in this condition

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